



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 349**

*February Session, 2002*

**AN ACT CONCERNING RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTING.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. Section 31-286b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2       following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

3       (a) Prior to issuing a building permit pursuant to section 29-263 to  
4       any person other than a sole proprietor or property owner unless such  
5       sole proprietor or property owner is acting as a general contractor or  
6       principal employer, a local building official shall require proof of  
7       workers' compensation coverage for all employees, as defined in  
8       section 31-275, as amended, who are employed by an employer, as  
9       defined in said section, who are engaged to perform services on the  
10      site of the construction project for which the permit was issued.

11      (b) As used in subsection (a) of this section, "proof of workers'  
12      compensation coverage" means (1) a written certificate of insurance  
13      provided by the general contractor or principal employer, or any sole  
14      proprietor or property owner acting as a general contractor or  
15      principal employer, or (2) a certificate from the Workers'  
16      Compensation Commissioner indicating that the general contractor or  
17      principal employer, or any sole proprietor or property owner acting as  
18      a general contractor or principal employer, has properly chosen not to  
19      obtain workers' compensation coverage pursuant to section 31-275, as  
20      amended. [ or (3) if a property owner or sole proprietor intends to act

21 as a general contractor or principal employer, a written certificate of  
22 insurance or a sworn notarized affidavit, which he shall provide,  
23 stating that he will require proof of workers' compensation insurance  
24 for all those employed on the job site in accordance with the provisions  
25 of this chapter.] A local building official shall require proof of workers'  
26 compensation coverage only at the time of the general contractor's or  
27 principal employer's or any said sole proprietor's or property owner's  
28 initial application.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

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